Reparing of old bridges

2578. SHRI SANJAY RAUT:

SHRI GOVINDRAO WAMANRAO ADIK:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of old bridges have undergone strengthening over the years;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, particularly in Maharashtra;

(c) the present status thereof; and

(d) the criteria adopted therefore?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) Rehabilitation/ rebuilding/strengthening of Bridges is an ongoing work on Indian Railways. Rehabilitation/rebuilding/strengthening of Bridges is undertaken on the basis of their physical condition as ascertained during regular inspections carried out in the field. During the last three years, number of bridges which have been rehabilitated/ rebuilt/ strengthened are 1388 in 08-09, 1208 in 07-08 and 1114 in 06-07 on Indian Railway's network, which has 1,30,776 number of bridges as on 1.4.09.

(b) Details on Railway Bridges is maintained zone wise. Maharashtra is served by Central, South Central, South East Central, South Western and Western Railway. No. of bridges on these railways rehabilitated/ rebuilt/strengthened in last 3 years, which includes bridges in Maharashtra, are as below:

Railway	06-07	07-08	08-09
CR	62	65	67
SCR	80	83	66
SECR	65	65	40
SWR	21	26	58
WR	102	91	112
TOTAL	330	330	343

(c) Balance number of bridges on above railways sanctioned for rehabilitation/ rebuilding/ strengthening as on 1.04.09 are as below:

Railway	Balance no. of bridges as on 1.04.09
CR	122
SCR	214
SECR	168
SWR	167
WR	342
TOTAL	1013

(d) Railway undertakes rehabilitation/rebuilding/strengthening of Bridges on the basis of their physical condition as ascertained during regular inspections carried out in the field and not on the basis of age. Therefore, all old bridges do not necessarily require rehabilitation/ strengthening/ rebuilding. Based on such identification of bridges, allotment of funds is made annually to carry out their rehabilitation/strengthentng/rebuilding duty prioritizing the works as per requirement.

Computerized reservation facilities

2579. SHRI MOHAMMED ADEEB:

SHRI SABIR ALI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the places in respect of which requests/demands have been received for providing computerized reservation facility at railway stations in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar under North-Eastern Railway;

(b) the details of stations where Government intends to provide this facility;

(c) the criteria for the same; and

(d) the stations where Government is not going to provide this facility along with the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) and (b) 18 requests/demands have been received by North Eastern Railway for providing computerized reservation facility. Out of this, 4 stations have already been provided with computerized reservation facility and work is in progress at 7 more stations. List is given in Statement *(See* below).

(c) As per existing policy, computerized reservation facilities are generally provided at locations where the assessed potential is about 100 transactions per day. At places where assessed potential is less than 100 transactions per day, this facility is provided along with the Unreserved Ticketing System. Computer Reservation System is also provided at selected post offices.

(d) Proposal at balance stations will be taken up as soon as the requirement reaches the normative level.

Statement

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Sl. No.	Location	Remarks
1	2	3
1	Brimanganj	Under consideration
2	Dohrighat	Under consideration
3	Kasbathal	Under consideration
4	Sahjanwa	Under consideration
5	Khaira	Work in progress
6	Jharkhandi	Under consideration
7	Bazpur	Facility provided